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Preliminary Amendment
Application No. 10/672,239

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment in the pending patent application provides amendments to the claims. No new matter has been added to the application.

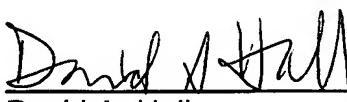
An Office Action mailed June 17, 2005 contained a restriction requirement. In response to the Office Action, on July 18, 2005, Applicant elected Species I, Figures 1-4B (on which claims 1-9, 17-29, 34-38, 42, 43, 44, 51-59, and 62-67 are readable).

Claims 73-82 are added by this amendment. The new claims do not add new matter, are directed to the elected species (Species I), and are fully supported by the specification. See, for example, Figure 1 and the description of paragraph 0010, 0011, and 0039 of the application (paragraphs 0012, 0013, and 0041, respectively, of the published application). Entry of the amendments and examination of the application on the merits are respectfully requested.

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